



### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : Before the Examiner:

Bruce A. Rich et al. : Not Assigned

Serial No.: 09/746,582 : Group Art Unit: Not Assigned

Filed: December 21, 2000 : IBM Corporation

Intellectual Property Law Dept.

Title: COMPOSITE KEYSTORE : 11400 Burnet Road FACILITY APPARATUS AND METHOD : Internal Zip 4054 THEREFOR : Austin, TX 78758

# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

AUS9-1999-0752-US1

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

#### **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8**

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Signature

Gracie Segovia

(Printed name of person certifying)

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### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- (1) Please replace the second instance of "106" with --108--, in line 13, please replace "algorithms" with --algorithm--, in line 21, please replace "private" with --public-- and in line 22, please replace "private" with --public--.
  - (2) On page 4, line 3, please replace "private" with --public--.
  - (3) On page 5, line 1, please replace "users" with --user's--.

### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

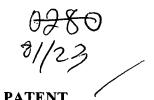
(4) On page 6, line 4, please replace "reprieving" with --retrieving--, and in line 5, please delete the first instance of "said."

### **DETAILED DESCRIPTION**

- (5) On page 13, line 11 please replace "signal" with --signature--, in line 12, please replace "signal" with --signature-- and in line 14 please replace "signal" with --signature--.
  - (6) On page 16, line 14, please replace "keystore" with --certificate--.
  - (7) On page 18, line 1, please replace "keystores" with --keystore's--.
- (8) On page 19, line 6, please replace "506" with --508--, in line 9 please replace "users" with --user's--, in line 11 please replace "users" with --user's--, and in line 14, please replace "users" with --user's--.







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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for the above-identified application.

- No fee for additional claims is required.  $\boxtimes$
- The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any item referred to as being enclosed herewith) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on January 10, 2001.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	Al	ODITIONAL FEE
Total Claims:	36	1	36	0	x \$18 =	\$	00.00
Independent Claims:	3		3	0	x \$78 =	\$	00.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT =						\$	00.00

- Please charge Deposit Account No. <u>09-0447 (AUS9-1999-0752-US1)</u> in the amount of \$00.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.
- The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 09-0447 (AUS9-1999-0752-US1). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.
  - Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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